

A WEDDING INVITATION

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

First & Second Conjugations: Passive

Voice of the Present System;

Ablative of Agent

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 18

Announcing the marriage of Peleus and Thetis! They are destined to become the parents of Achilles, greatest of the Greek warriors who fought at Troy.

Salvēte, ō dī deaeque! Noster amīcus Pēleus magna cōn-
silia habet; nympham Thetidem in mātīmōnium dūcet.
Vōs igitur ā mē, Iove, ad Thessaliam vocāminī. Exspectāte
bonōs lūdōs et dulcēs epulās. Dēbētis autem dē hīs perī-
culis monērī: I. Quoniam Pēleus mortālis est, animus eius
5 terrēbitur sī nimis potentēs vidēbimur; II. Quī audet sine
dōnō venīre, ā mē castigābitur. Legite genera dōnōrum
quae laudābuntur ab omnibus quī ea vidēbunt.

Tū sōla, ō dea Discordia, nōn vocāris, nam ā nullō
10 amāris. Sī veniēs, omnis deus in Olympō irā movēbitur.
Inter amīcōs discordia nōn dēbet tolerārī.

Poenae dabuntur ab eō deō quī suum officium ne-
gleget. Valēte!

VOCABULARY:

Pēleus, -eī, m.: Peleus, legendary king of Thessaly

nympha, -ae, f.: nymph, demi-goddess

Thetis, -idis, f.: Thetis, sea-nymph, mother of Achilles

mātīmōnium, -iī, n.: marriage

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter, king of the gods

Thessalia, -ae, f.: Thessaly, region of northern Greece

epulae, -ārum, f. pl.: feast, banquet

castigō (1): to punish, chastise

Discordia, -ae, f.: discord, disagreement, here personified as a goddess

Olympus, -ī, m.: Mount Olympus, home of the gods

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